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**AJMER STATE GOVERNMENT.**

(Law and Judicial Department)

*Ajmer, the 28th May, 1953*

The following Act of the Ajmer Legislative Assembly received the assent of the President on the 21st May, 1953, and is hereby published for general information:—

## THE AJMER (PLACES OF PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT PROHIBITION OF SMOKING ACT, 1953

ACT No. II OF 1953

An Act to prohibit smoking in places of public entertainmen  
in the State of Ajmer

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Ajmer as follows:—

**1. Short title, extent and commencement.**—(1) This Act may be called the Ajmer (Places of Public Entertainment) Prohibition of Smoking Act, 1953.

(2) It extends to the whole of the State of Ajmer.

(3) Sections 1 and 2 shall come into force at once; and the remaining provisions of this Act shall come into force on such date or dates as the State Government may by notification appoint; and different dates may be appointed for different areas or places in the State of Ajmer.

**2. Interpretation.**—(1) In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—

- (a) “notification” means a notification in the Official Gazette;
- (b) “place of public entertainment” means any building or other enclosed place to which members of the public are admitted, whether on payment or otherwise, to witness any entertainment, that is to say, any cinematographic exhibition, dance or dramatic performance or any other form of amusement;
- (c) “prohibited period” means so much of the period commencing thirty minutes before the beginning of an entertainment and ending with the termination thereof as may fall within the hours which the State Government may, by notification, specify in this behalf for entertainments generally or for any class of entertainments;
- (d) “smoking” means smoking of tobacco in any form, whether in the form of cigarettes, cigars, beedi or otherwise or with the aid of a pipe or hukka or any other instrument;
- (e) “State Government” means the Chief Commissioner of the State of Ajmer.

(2) The General Clauses Act, 1897 (X of 1897) applies for the interpretation of this Act as it applies for the interpretation of a Central Act.

**3. Prohibition of smoking in places of public entertainment.**—No person shall, during the prohibited period, smoke in any place of public entertainment,—

- (a) either on the stage thereof, except in so far as smoking may be a part of the entertainment; or
- (b) in the auditorium, that is to say, in that part of the place of public entertainment in which accommodation is provided for members of the public.

**4. Penalty for contravention of section 3.**—(1) Any person who contravenes the provisions of section 3 shall be liable to be ejected summarily from the place of public entertainment by any police officer and shall also be liable to fine which may extend to twenty rupees.

(2) No person ejected under sub-section (1) shall be entitled to the refund of any payment made by him for admission to the place of public entertainment or to any other compensation.

**5. Offences under this Act to be tried summarily.**—All offences under this Act shall be tried summarily in the manner provided for summary trials under the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 (V of 1898).

N. SWAMINATHAN, Secy.

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**(Home Services Department)****NOTIFICATION**

*Ajmer, the 1st June, 1953*

**No. GA(4)/6/53-H&S.**—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (3) of Section 1 of the Ajmer (Places of Public Entertainment) Prohibition of Smoking Act, 1953 (II of 1953), the Chief Commissioner of the State of Ajmer hereby directs that the provisions of the said Act, other than Sections 1 and 2 which have already come into force shall come into force in the whole of the State of Ajmer on and from the 1st July, 1953.

By Order of the Chief Commissioner,

**ASOKA SEN, Chief Secretary.**

